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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I have been a Sonic.net customer for more than ten years. For all of those years, I chose Sonic because their internet package was both superior to (with respect to the terms of service) and cheaper than the packages offered by the local telecom duopoly of AT&T and Comcast.

Sonic.net provides key competition in my area, and a deeply compelling alternative to the mainstream telecom providers, who are universally known around these parts for high prices, crummy service, and abysmal customer care.

I am currently a Sonic DSL customer, but I understand they will be offering fiber in my area soon. Please don't rob my town of this exciting development!

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